

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: EXTRACTION CLEANING WITH OXIDIZING AGENT
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**PETITION TO REISSUE NOTICE OF PANEL DECISION
FROM PRE-APPEAL BRIEF REVIEW AND RESET THE REPLY PERIOD**

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

This is a petition under 37 CFR § 1.181 to invoke the supervisory authority of the Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to Reissue the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review and Reset the Reply Period. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2003.

FACTS

On January 8, 2008, a Final Rejection was issued by the Examiner. On April 4, 2008, Applicants timely filed a Notice of Appeal and a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review, Applicant's Reasons in Support of Request for Pre-Appeal Brief Review of Final Rejection, Applicant's Response to Office Action Mailed January 8, 2008, and Electronic Patent Application Fee Transmittal.

Applicants have received no communications from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office regarding the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review.

Christine M. Judge, an administrative assistant employed by the undersigned counsel of record, accessed the Image File Wrapper for this application through the PAIR system on July 23, 2008. According to the Image File Wrapper, a Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review was mailed on May 13, 2008. The Notice set a one-month deadline for Applicants to submit an appeal brief in accordance with 37 CFR § 41.37. Counsel for Applicants have not received the Notice. *See Attached Declaration of Christine M. Judge.*

Ms. Judge contacted Examiner Necholus Ogden, Jr. via telephone on July 23, 2008. Examiner Ogden return Ms. Judge's phone call on July 24, 2008. Ms. Judge advised that counsel for Applicants had not received the Notice. Mr. Ogden advised Ms. Judge that counsel should file a petition requesting re-issuance of the Notice in order to reset the time period for filing an appeal brief. *See Attached Declaration of Christine M. Judge.*

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully re-issuance of the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review and reset of the Reply Period.

Respectfully submitted,

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